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### AMENDMENT

Sir:

The present Amendment is responsive to the final Office Action mailed December 23, 2008. Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

### FEE CALCULATION

Any additional fee required has been calculated as follows:

\_\_\_\_ If checked, "Small Entity" status is claimed.

NO. CLAIMS HIGHEST NO.
AFTER PREVIOUSLY

ADDIT. AMENDMENT PAID FOR EXTRA PRESENT RATE FEE TOTAL MINUS 20 \*= (\$26 SE or \$52) \$0 \*\*= (\$110 SE or \$220) INDEP. MINUS 4 FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM (\$185 SE or \$390) \$0

\* not less than 20\*\* not less than 3 TOTAL \$0\_\_\_\_\_

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## CONTINGENT EXTENSION REQUEST

If this communication is filed after the shortened statutory time period had elapsed and no separate Petition is enclosed, the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks is petitioned, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), to extend the time for filing a response to the outstanding Office Action by the number of months which will avoid abandonment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.135. The fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 should be charged to our Deposit Account No. 15-0700.

# SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS

If checked, an abstract (an amended abstract) is submitted herewith.
 If checked, amendment(s) to the drawings are submitted herewith.
 If checked, amendment(s) to the specification are submitted herewith.
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